

RESOLUTION

HONORING NASHUA MARINES

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Six

RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that

WHEREAS, First Battalion, 25th Marines, a United States Marine Corps reserve unit home-based out of Devens, Massachusetts, is comprised of several subordinate units including Bravo Company, based in Londonderry, New Hampshire; Headquarters and Support Company, based out of Devens, Massachusetts; and Weapons Company, also based out of Devens.

WHEREAS, First Battalion was called to active duty last December and was deployed for training after the holidays to Twenty Nine Palms United States Marine Corps Base in California. The training was required prior to their deployment to Fallujah, Iraq in late March of this year. The entire Battalion was assigned to Regimental Combat Team 5 which came under the administrative control of the 1 Marine Expeditionary Force with Headquarters at Camp Pendleton, California.

WHEREAS, the unit was deployed to Fallujah for about seven months with a mission to maintain order and stability in and around Fallujah and also support the Iraqi Army with training. Most of the Nashua Marines were assigned to Bravo Company although several were assigned to Headquarters and Support Company as well as Weapons Company. They were all involved in tough fighting with insurgents, who were planting improvised explosive devices, and snipers.

WHEREAS, two members of Bravo Company, Capt. McKenna and Lcpl. Glover, were killed in action by snipers, and several Bravo Company Marines were wounded in action and have been presented the Purple Heart.

WHEREAS, Bravo Company returned to Nashua High South on the evening of October 25th to a very joyous welcome home celebration at which time Mayor Streeter presented the Key to the City of Nashua to those Marines from Nashua who were assigned to Bravo.

NOW THEREFORE, Mayor Bernard A. Streeter and the Board of Aldermen, on behalf of the citizens of Nashua, express their thanks and appreciation to these brave Marines:

Lcpl. Anthony Attardo	Cpl. Gerard Ditolla	Cpl. Nicholas Koutalakis
Lcpl. Derek Bice	Lcpl. Caleb Gilbert	Lcpl. Douglas Krailo
Lepl. Timothy Cunha	Lcpl. Mishael Gregoir	Lcpl. Gregory McNulty
Sgt. Ross Daghir	CWO4 Brian Keavy	Lcpl. Nicholas Nadeau